

Table 104. Personal crimes of violence, 1996:


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**Percent of reasons for not reporting victimizations to the police,
by victim-offender relationship and type of crime**

Relationship and type of crime	Number of reasons for not reporting	Percent of reasons for not reporting						
		Total	Reported to another official	Private or personal matter	Object recovered; offender unsuccessful	Not important enough	Insurance would not cover	Not aware crime occurred until later
Involving strangers								
Crimes of violence	2,231,970	100 %	13.4 %	16.3 %	22.3 %	6.4 %	0.1 %*	0.4 %*
Rape/Sexual assault/a	49,650	100 %	13.2 *	9.7 *	15.0 *	10.3 *	0.0 *	0.0 *
Robbery	313,150	100 %	8.9	8.1	19.0	4.2 *	0.0 *	0.0 *
Assault	1,869,170	100 %	14.1	17.8	23.0	6.7	0.1 *	0.5 *
Involving nonstrangers								
Crimes of violence	3,626,450	100 %	15.1	21.6	15.3	5.6	0.0 *	0.3 *
Rape/Sexual assault/a	223,690	100 %	11.7	16.4	7.4 *	3.5 *	0.0 *	1.2 *
Robbery	325,750	100 %	9.4	9.7	15.7	2.7 *	0.0 *	0.7 *
Assault	3,077,010	100 %	15.9	23.3	15.9	6.0	0.0 *	0.2 *

Relationship and type of crime	Percent of reasons for not reporting						
	Unable to recover property; no ID no.	Lack of proof	Police would not want to be bothered	Police inefficient, ineffective, or biased	Fear of reprisal	Too inconvenient or time consuming	Other reasons
Involving strangers							
Crimes of violence	0.8 %*	5.8 %	6.0 %	2.9 %	2.3 %	4.4 %	19.0 %
Rape/Sexual assault/a	0.0 *	0.0 *	4.3 *	4.3 *	4.7 *	4.9 *	33.6 *
Robbery	5.8 *	11.4	6.5 *	4.6 *	2.4 *	5.3 *	23.8
Assault	0.0 *	5.0	5.9	2.6	2.2	4.2	17.9
Involving nonstrangers							
Crimes of violence	0.6 *	2.3	4.8	3.1	5.2	2.1	23.9
Rape/Sexual assault/a	0.0 *	1.3 *	4.3 *	2.4 *	14.0	1.0 *	36.8
Robbery	6.1 *	8.4	8.3	7.9	6.0 *	2.0 *	23.1
Assault	0.1 *	1.7	4.5	2.7	4.5	2.2	23.1

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Table 104. Personal crimes of violence, 1997:

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**Percent of reasons for not reporting victimizations to the police,
by victim-offender relationship and type of crime**

Relationship and type of crime	Number of reasons for not reporting	Percent of reasons for not reporting						
		Total	Reported to another official	Private or personal matter	Object recovered; offender unsuccessful	Not important enough	Insurance would not cover	Not aware crime occurred until later
Involving strangers								
Crimes of violence	2,002,940	100 %	13.3 %	16.5 %	19.8 %	7.7 %	0.0 %*	0.7 %*
Rape/Sexual assault/a	58,690	100 %	3.9 *	7.7 *	10.8 *	0.0 *	0.0 *	0.0 *
Robbery	218,060	100 %	2.9 *	8.7 *	19.8	4.0 *	0.0 *	0.0 *
Assault	1,726,190	100 %	15.0	17.8	20.1	8.4	0.0 *	0.8 *
Involving nonstrangers								
Crimes of violence	3,387,270	100 %	15.2	22.4	13.7	5.2	0.0 *	0.2 *
Rape/Sexual assault/a	194,720	100 %	2.4 *	34.4	7.5 *	1.2 *	0.0 *	0.0 *
Robbery	285,310	100 %	12.7	10.0	8.1 *	1.0 *	0.0 *	0.0 *
Assault	2,907,250	100 %	16.3	22.8	14.7	5.9	0.0 *	0.3 *

Relationship and type of crime	Percent of reasons for not reporting						
	Unable to recover property; no ID no.	Lack of proof	Police would not want to be bothered	Police inefficient, ineffective, or biased	Fear of reprisal	Too inconvenient or time consuming	Other reasons
Involving strangers							
Crimes of violence	0.3 %*	6.7 %	5.1 %	2.9 %	2.9 %	3.5 %	20.6 %
Rape/Sexual assault/a	0.0 *	7.1 *	5.1 *	8.5 *	18.9 *	3.8 *	34.2 *
Robbery	2.5 *	17.3	8.3 *	11.2 *	4.1 *	5.2 *	16.0
Assault	0.0 *	5.3	4.7	1.7	2.2	3.3	20.7
Involving nonstrangers							
Crimes of violence	0.3 *	2.2	4.9	3.0	5.9	2.1	25.0
Rape/Sexual assault/a	0.0 *	2.6 *	3.5 *	4.8 *	20.7	0.0 *	23.0
Robbery	3.1 *	7.3 *	5.1 *	7.2 *	10.5	6.6 *	28.5
Assault	0.0 *	1.6	5.0	2.4	4.5	1.8	24.8

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Table 104. Personal crimes of violence, 1998:

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**Percent of reasons for not reporting victimizations to the police,
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Relationship and type of crime	Number of reasons for not reporting	Percent of reasons for not reporting						
		Total	Reported to another official	Private or personal matter	Object recovered; offender unsuccessful	Not important enough	Insurance would not cover	Not aware crime occurred until later
Involving strangers								
Crimes of violence	1,934,390	100 %	11.9 %	19.1 %	20.1 %	8.0 %	0.1 %*	0.3 %*
Rape/Sexual assault/a	45,370	100 %	17.3 *	5.2 *	7.5 *	7.1 *	0.0 *	0.0 *
Robbery	221,950	100 %	5.3 *	12.7	9.2 *	2.1 *	1.0 *	0.0 *
Assault	1,667,080	100 %	12.6	20.4	21.9	8.9	0.0 *	0.3 *
Involving nonstrangers								
Crimes of violence	3,114,860	100 %	16.5	22.5	13.9	7.1	0.0 *	0.1 *
Rape/Sexual assault/a	211,080	100 %	18.0	14.1	7.6 *	1.4 *	0.0 *	1.1 *
Robbery	217,270	100 %	11.1 *	21.7	21.4 *	6.3 *	0.0 *	0.0 *
Assault	2,686,500	100 %	16.8	23.2	13.8	7.6	0.0 *	0.0 *

Relationship and type of crime	Percent of reasons for not reporting						
	Unable to recover property; no ID no.	Lack of proof	Police would not want to be bothered	Police inefficient, ineffective, or biased	Fear of reprisal	Too inconvenient or time consuming	Other reasons
Involving strangers							
Crimes of violence	0.9 %*	6.1 %	6.4 %	2.2 %	2.3 %	4.7 %	17.9 %
Rape/Sexual assault/a	0.0 *	0.0 *	0.0 *	0.0 *	10.3 *	0.0 *	52.5 *
Robbery	6.6 *	18.5	8.0 *	5.8 *	2.4 *	13.7	14.4
Assault	0.2 *	4.6	6.3	1.7	2.1	3.7	17.4
Involving nonstrangers							
Crimes of violence	0.1 *	2.1	5.0	2.8	5.5	2.5	22.0
Rape/Sexual assault/a	0.0 *	1.1 *	0.0 *	3.4 *	10.8 *	2.1 *	40.3
Robbery	2.0 *	7.9 *	5.3 *	2.4 *	5.3 *	3.8 *	12.8 *
Assault	0.0 *	1.8	5.3	2.8	5.1	2.4	21.3

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Table 104. Personal crimes of violence, 1999:

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**Percent of reasons for not reporting victimizations to the police,
by victim-offender relationship and type of crime**

Relationship and type of crime	Number of reasons for not reporting	Percent of reasons for not reporting							
		Total	Reported to another official	Private or personal matter	Object recovered; offender unsuccessful	Not important enough	Insurance would not cover	Not aware crime occurred until later	
Involving strangers									
Crimes of violence	2,244,710	100 %	13.9 %	14.0 %	22.5 %	6.6 %	0.0 %*	0.3 %*	
Rape/Sexual assault/a	93,590	100 %	2.5 *	30.4 *	2.2 *	2.9 *	0.0 *	3.6 *	
Robbery	282,000	100 %	8.7 *	4.1 *	23.0	1.9 *	0.0 *	0.0 *	
Assault	1,869,130	100 %	15.2	14.7	23.4	7.5	0.0 *	0.2 *	
Involving nonstrangers									
Crimes of violence	2,409,510	100 %	19.2	24.4	12.0	5.7	0.0 *	0.1 *	
Rape/Sexual assault/a	214,930	100 %	5.2 *	44.6	2.7 *	1.2 *	0.0 *	0.0 *	
Robbery	136,030	100 %	11.3 *	15.1 *	17.6 *	2.0 *	0.0 *	0.0 *	
Assault	2,058,540	100 %	21.2	22.9	12.6	6.4	0.0 *	0.1 *	

Relationship and type of crime	Percent of reasons for not reporting						
	Unable to recover property; no ID no.	Lack of proof	Police would not want to be bothered	Police inefficient, ineffective, or biased	Fear of reprisal	Too inconvenient or time consuming	Other reasons
Involving strangers							
Crimes of violence	0.6 %*	7.1 %	6.7 %	4.3 %	4.2 %	4.1 %	15.7 %
Rape/Sexual assault/a	0.0 *	8.7 *	2.5 *	0.0 *	16.7 *	2.3 *	28.2 *
Robbery	4.4 *	12.7	11.7	11.1	7.2 *	5.4 *	9.9 *
Assault	0.0 *	6.2	6.2	3.5	3.1	4.0	16.0
Involving nonstrangers							
Crimes of violence	0.0 *	1.3	4.5	2.2	3.6	2.2	24.8
Rape/Sexual assault/a	0.0 *	0.0 *	3.1 *	0.0 *	10.4 *	2.9 *	29.8
Robbery	0.0 *	6.4 *	11.6 *	6.5 *	2.1 *	6.5 *	20.8 *
Assault	0.0 *	1.1 *	4.1	2.2	3.0	1.9	24.5

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Table 104. Personal crimes of violence, 2000:

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Relationship and type of crime	Number of reasons for not reporting	Percent of reasons for not reporting						
		Total	Reported to another official	Private or personal matter	Object recovered; offender unsuccessful	Not important enough	Insurance would not cover	Not aware crime occurred until later
Involving strangers								
Crimes of violence	1,853,320	100 %	12.5 %	16.7 %	20.3 %	5.8 %	0.0 %*	0.6 %*
Rape/Sexual assault/a	79,600	100 %	2.7 *	23.8 *	2.8 *	3.9 *	0.0 *	0.0 *
Robbery	295,930	100 %	2.5 *	6.2 *	18.6	4.4 *	0.0 *	1.8 *
Assault	1,477,790	100 %	15.0	18.5	21.6	6.2	0.0 *	0.4 *
Involving nonstrangers								
Crimes of violence	1,918,300	100 %	17.8	21.4	13.1	6.0	0.0 *	0.2 *
Rape/Sexual assault/a	75,720	100 %	3.2 *	24.5 *	3.4 *	0.0 *	0.0 *	0.0 *
Robbery	126,880	100 %	7.1 *	13.2 *	12.2 *	0.0 *	0.0 *	0.0 *
Assault	1,715,700	100 %	19.2	21.9	13.6	6.7	0.0 *	0.2 *

Relationship and type of crime	Percent of reasons for not reporting						
	Unable to recover property; no ID no.	Lack of proof	Police would not want to be bothered	Police inefficient, ineffective, or biased	Fear of reprisal	Too inconvenient or time consuming	Other reasons
Involving strangers							
Crimes of violence	0.4 %*	6.9 %	5.2 %	5.5 %	3.3 %	4.0 %	18.7 %
Rape/Sexual assault/a	0.0 *	8.0 *	9.0 *	9.9 *	7.5 *	2.8 *	29.6 *
Robbery	2.6 *	14.9	4.6 *	11.8	5.9 *	3.5 *	23.3
Assault	0.0 *	5.3	5.1	4.0	2.6	4.2	17.2
Involving nonstrangers							
Crimes of violence	0.2 *	1.4	4.1	2.7	6.4	2.6	24.2
Rape/Sexual assault/a	0.0 *	0.0 *	4.3 *	0.0 *	6.4 *	9.1 *	49.1
Robbery	2.9 *	4.1 *	15.4 *	10.5 *	9.5 *	3.1 *	21.8
Assault	0.0 *	1.3 *	3.2	2.2	6.2	2.3	23.3

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Table 104. Personal crimes of violence, 2001:

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**Percent of reasons for not reporting victimizations to the police,
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Relationship and type of crime	Number of reasons for not reporting	Percent of reasons for not reporting						
		Total	Reported to another official	Private or personal matter	Object recovered; offender unsuccessful	Not important enough	Insurance would not cover	Not aware crime occurred until later
Involving strangers								
Crimes of violence	1,485,990	100 %	11.3 %	17.3 %	21.9 %	4.7 %	0.0 %*	0.4 %*
Rape/Sexual assault/a	40,190	100 %	5.4 *	25.0 *	7.1 *	0.0 *	0.0 *	0.0 *
Robbery	224,590	100 %	4.9 *	8.8 *	20.4	2.6 *	0.0 *	1.3 *
Assault	1,221,210	100 %	12.6	18.6	22.7	5.2	0.0 *	0.2 *
Involving nonstrangers								
Crimes of violence	1,809,890	100 %	17.7	22.0	11.1	6.1	0.0 *	0.2 *
Rape/Sexual assault/a	122,960	100 %	7.1 *	30.9	4.7 *	7.8 *	0.0 *	0.0 *
Robbery	78,520	100 %	7.3 *	9.0 *	16.5 *	3.3 *	0.0 *	3.9 *
Assault	1,608,400	100 %	19.1	22.0	11.3	6.2	0.0 *	0.0 *

Relationship and type of crime	Percent of reasons for not reporting						
	Unable to recover property; no ID no.	Lack of proof	Police would not want to be bothered	Police inefficient, ineffective, or biased	Fear of reprisal	Too inconvenient or time consuming	Other reasons
Involving strangers							
Crimes of violence	0.6 %*	9.2 %	4.5 %	3.4 %	4.2 %	5.0 %	17.6 %
Rape/Sexual assault/a	0.0 *	7.6 *	0.0 *	6.5 *	6.5 *	13.2 *	28.8 *
Robbery	1.3 *	20.2	5.7 *	9.1 *	7.2 *	4.7 *	13.7
Assault	0.5 *	7.2	4.4	2.3 *	3.6	4.8	17.9
Involving nonstrangers							
Crimes of violence	0.0 *	0.6 *	5.8	2.0	5.2	3.3	26.0
Rape/Sexual assault/a	0.0 *	3.7 *	0.0 *	1.8 *	8.7 *	3.3 *	32.0
Robbery	0.0 *	3.5 *	3.3 *	3.6 *	3.2 *	10.0 *	36.4 *
Assault	0.0 *	0.2 *	6.4	1.9	5.0	2.9	25.0

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